11. 16—Law and Justice—C—Criminal justice—Rs. 1,000.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—Sir, I rise to move for a grant of Rs. 1,000 under 16 Law and Justice—C—Criminal Justice—D—Refunds. The expenditure up to the end of Vrischigam 1108 has been Rs. 1270 and a further sum of Rs. 730 is required for the remaining months of the year. In all an additional allotment of Rs. 1,000 would be required to meet the extra expenses. I request that the House will be pleased to sanction the extra amount.

Demand put and carried.

12. 16—Law and justice—Rs. 30.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 30 under 16—Law and Justice—C—Criminal Justice—Postage. This is necessitated by the increase in the postal rates this year. A sum of Rs. 30 more would be necessary to meet the requirements. I request that the House will be pleased to sanction this allotment.

Motion No. 1.

As the following motion was not moved it was considered withdrawn.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—*To reauce the allotment by Re 1.*

Demand put and carried.

13—16—Law and Justice—Rs. 6.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 6 under 16—Law and Justice-B-1-Chief-Court—Temporary Establishment. The term of the temporary Puisne Judge had to be extended for another week to finish off the 4 cases still pending. The Registrar of the Chief Court applied for an additional allotment of Rs. 6 under 16—Law and Justice—B-1-Chief Court towards the pay of two peons for the extended period. No reappropriation is also possible. The additional allotment is therefore necessary.

Demand put and carried.

14. 19—Education—Rs. 3,400.

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 3,400 towards the payment of contribution on behalf of the Cochin students to the Medical and Engineering Colleges. As the note is sufficiently explanatory, I need not say anything particular in this connection. An amount of Rs. 2,000 was required for the two students studying in 1932—

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1933 and on their behalf we have to spend another Rs. 2,000 for 1933—1934. There will be a fresh batch of two more students on whose behalf we have to pay another Rs. 2,000. These together work up to Rs. 6,000 and we have to select two candidates for the Engineering College, one in the B. E. course and another in the Subordinate course, and the contribution we have to make is Rs. 800 and Rs. 600 respectively. It makes Rs. 1,400. Altogether we, therefore, required Rs. 7,400 as against a budget provision to the extent of Rs. 4,000. So this additional allotment of Rs. 3,400 is necessary for paying the stipulated contribution. I request that the House will be pleased to grant this amount.

Motion No. 1.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—*To reduce the grant by Re. 1:*—Sir, as in the matter of appointments, preferments go to those who have some influence over Heads of Departments. This is simply to suggest that in the matter of preferments of the students all the taluks and all the communities be equally treated that I have brought forward this motion. There is some difficulty in the minds of certain friends of mine as to how it will be done. Chittur is not wanting in candidates. Therefore if there are candidates from Chittur they also should be considered. Go through the application register and you will find many applicants from Chittur. My only request is that they must not be neglected. With this suggestion I withdraw.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—While we are on that point, though I do not agree with him about the Taluk-war selection of candidates, I would like to know the methods by which Government intend to select them. The most possible scheme to my mind is that though the student does not get any special relief by this contribution, yet since the Government is bearing a portion of this expenditure it can be only done satisfactorily by means of a competitive examination and selecting the best candidates, *i. e.*, the candidates who score the best marks in that. That is the only way that the State would be justified in spending Rs. 7,400 per year for the sake of these students. I would like to know the idea of the Government as to how they would proceed in this matter, so that I may decide whether I should support the Government or not, because it is a principle which would only be justified by making some such arrangement. Otherwise I am sure there will be all sorts of unpleasant questions in this Council.

മിസ്റ്റർ. കെ. അയ്യപ്പൻ.—സർ, ഗവൺമെന്റ് യോഗ്യന്മാരായ കുട്ടികളെ മാത്രമേ സഹായിക്കുവാൻ പാടുള്ളൂ എന്നുള്ളതിൽ

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അഭിപ്രായവ്യത്യാസമില്ല. പക്ഷെ അതിനു് യൂനിവേഴ്സിറ്റി എക്സാമിനേഷൻ മാക്ക് നോക്കിയാൽ മതിയെന്നുവയ്ക്കണം. വേറെ പരീക്ഷ ഏർപ്പെടുത്തിയാൽ ഇപ്പോഴത്തെ നിയമനവിഷയത്തിൽ കാണുന്നതുപോലേയുള്ള വൈഷമ്യങ്ങൾ പരീക്ഷയിൽ മാക്ക് കൊടുക്കുന്നകാര്യത്തിലും കാണും. യൂനിവേഴ്സിറ്റി മാക്കു് നോക്കി ബെസ്റ്റായിട്ടുള്ളവരെ എടുക്കണം. അങ്ങിനെയുള്ള രണ്ടു ബെസ്റ്റു് വന്നുകഴിഞ്ഞാൽ അതിൽ പ്രാതിനിധ്യം കുറഞ്ഞവരിൽപ്പെട്ട ബെസ്റ്റിനു് പ്രിഫറൻസു കൊടുക്കണം. അല്ലാതെ മറയന്മാരായ ആളുകൾക്കുവേണ്ടി ഗവർമ്മെൻറിൽനിന്നും പണം കൊണ്ടുപോയി ഹോമിയ്ക്കണമെന്നു് ആരും ആവശ്യപ്പെടുന്നില്ല.

Mr. I. N. Menon.—So far no definite principle appears to have been enunciated for the selection of the candidates. Two candidates have applied, it appears, to the Government directly and they were selected by the Diwan. But for future guidance in this matter Government will remember that the following consideration should be taken into account. Marks obtained in the University Examination, character, past record at the college, then backwardness of the community or communities to which the applicants belong and I do not think it is necessary even to eschew the consideration of the principle chalked out by the Member for Chittur, *viz.*, as fas as possible to be consistent in representing the taluks. But so far as last year was concerned there were only two people to apply and they were sent. But in future these principles will be followed.

Mr. M. A. Chakko.—One has to consider that there are bigger taluks and more populous taluks than Chittur taluk.

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Chittur gives you more money.

Motion was, with leave, withdrawn.

Motion No. 2.

Mr. P. KumaranEzhuthassan.—One point that I wanted to ascertain through this cut motion has already been given to this Council. The other point that I wanted to know is whether the whole amount given to the students is be recouped from them or whether it is given as a sort of scholarship.

Mr. I. N. Menon.—Candidates who are selected for admission to these colleges have got to execute an agreement according to which they have to refund to the Government in a number of instalments every year the fee that has to be paid by a Madrassi applicant to the Medical College, that is, Rs. 175. The fee for a Madrassi student is Rs. 175 and Rs. 400 for a non-Madrassi student. Out of Rs. 1,000 that is going to be paid by the Government the candidates will have to refund Rs. 175 in instalments.

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Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan —I don't move it.

Hence the following motion was considered withdrawn.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan:—*To reduce the allotment by Re. 1.*

Motion No. 3.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—*To reduce the allotment by Re. 1:*—Sir, for the last so many years we have been asking the Government that some satisfactory steps should be taken to get admission for Cochinites in Medical and Engineering colleges and the Government used to say that they were corresponding, but nothing resulted till this year. Only this year we were able to enter into some agreement with the Government of Madras so that every year some Cochinites may be admitted both in the Medical College and the Engineering College. Some time ago when the Government had not decided this question, when this matter was under correspondence with the Government of Madras, I had an interview with the permanent Diwan, Mr. Herbert and I urged upon him that immediate steps should be taken in the matter. In the course of the discussion he pointed out that the Government were able to get the sanction of Madras Government for admitting one or two students in the Medical College; but as regards the Engineering College, he then expressed that getting seats reserved therein was rather impossible. In those hard days, I am glad to inform this House that a Cochinite was able to get admission into the Engineering College. He got admission not by recommendation but by the high marks he obtained at the Public Examination. The high percentage of the marks that he got at the public examination attracted the attention of the authorities of the Engineering College and they admitted him. But he is a poor student. He is unable to continue his studies and he has been making representations to the Government to consider his case. His poverty he cannot make public, because there is an agreement or rather an understanding that poor students who are unable to complete their studies must not be admitted there. If he desires to continue his course he must not make public that he is a poor student. It is really a pitiable case. His father therefore approached our Government and put in a representation for granting a scholarship to complete his course and I know that our Government have been considering this matter. My information is that they made some provision in the current year's budget for granting a scholarship, but it has not yet been disbursed. Since a Cochinite has got admission there solely because of his merits and as some of the Members here were saying that we should encourage the best student irrespective of

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communal considerations, irrespective of taluk considerations, I make bold to say that the case of this student is one that should receive the sympathetic consideration of the Government. If he got admission because of the high marks obtained—I must say he got cent per cent at the public examination,—such a student deserves all the encouragement from the Government. Further, I may add he is willing to place his services, after coming out of the college, at the disposal of the Government. He is willing to serve the State for a definite number of years, if he be given a scholarship now. I press this motion so that Government may consider this case most sympathetically and immediately so that the student may not be sent out because of his indigency.

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I am in the dark with regard to the name of the person. Of course I know his whereabouts now. He is in the Engineering College. I can certainly say that the Government will be most sympathetic towards him. But I don't think this additional allotment of Rs. 3,400 would be sufficient. We may have to go in for an additional allotment again. I honestly say that I am perfectly in the dark with regard to this and, being situated as I am, I can only say that if more light is thrown on it and under less controversial surroundings, I would certainly be most willing to place the matter before the Government and get all possible considerations for him.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—On the assurance that the Director of Public Instruction would do his best as far as it lies in him—I am also willing to cooperate with him and to furnish all kinds of details with regard to this—I withdraw the motion.

Motion was, with leave, withdrawn.

Demand put and carried.

15. 19—Education—Rs. 15,017—6—5.

Mr. I. N. Menon—Sir, I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 15,017—6—5 under 19—Education.

This is solely a new item of expenditure this year because we have not been able to provide for it. This is intended for payment of a sort of over-time allowance to the poor teachers who have been really working over time on the double shift system and as most of the Members here are aware of the situation and as more than one Member has sent questions in this Council for information, I need not make any long speech at this stage. But I only request this House that the additional allotment may be sanctioned.

Motion No. 1.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthssan.—*To reduce the allotment of* Rs. *15,017—6—5 under 19-Education by* Re. *1.*

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